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The honorable lady
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Amsterdam, February 23rd, 2012

Patient name - -XXXXXX
Date of birth - -XXXXXX
Address: -XXXXXX

Dear Mrs. J.J. Hoogerwerf,

In addition to the correspondence I wrote from Reade, allow me to add the following:

To start with, I have to conclude that there is no Raynaud phenomenon. When asked, the patient said that her hands were always warm, even in the period that they were blue. The capillair microscopy done in the VU medical center was normal.

I repeated blood pressure left and right, the first time it was very hard to hear and found a bp of 98/60 mmHg and right 108/60 mmHg. when repeated the were 105 and 108 systolic. The primary physician had taken the blood pressure as well and found that was 95/50 mmHg on both sides. With that both pheochromocytoma as well as Takayasu (both already rather unlikely) became even less likely.

I consulted by telephone with colleague Meijs, a dermatologist here, who thought as well more about centrally induced cyanosis, but the cardiac echo performed by Bakx didn't show any abnormalities.

Considering the absence of other skin abnormalities, normal range of IgA, IgG and IgM and nothing consistent with a thoracic outlet syndrome. With all that I still don't have a clear diagnosis so I direct the patient to the internist in the Amsterdam Medical Center. This after constructive consultation with the primary physician.

With collegial regards,

Dr. F. Turkstra, rheumatologist